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# COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Quincy Credit Union Certificate Number: 67709

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This document is an evaluation of this institution's record of meeting the credit needs of its entire community, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with safe and sound operation of the institution. This evaluation is not, nor should it be construed as, an assessment of the financial condition of this institution. The rating assigned to this institution does not represent an analysis, conclusion, or opinion of the Division of Banks concerning the safety and soundness of this financial institution.

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#### **INSTITUTION RATING**

This document is an evaluation of the CRA performance of **Quincy Credit Union** (**credit union**) prepared by the Division of Banks (Division), the institution's supervisory agency as of **November 12, 2019**. The Division rates the CRA performance of an institution consistent with the provisions set forth in Massachusetts Regulation 209 CMR 46.00.

**INSTITUTION'S CRA RATING:** This institution is rated "Satisfactory." An institution in this group has a satisfactory record of helping to meet the credit needs of its assessment area, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, in a manner consistent with its resources and capabilities. The assigned rating is based on the results of two performance tests: the Lending Test and the Community Development Test. The credit union's performance under each of these two tests is summarized below:

# The Lending Test is rated Satisfactory.

- The loan-to share ratio (LTS) is reasonable given the institution's size, financial condiditon and assessment area credit needs.
- The credit union made a majority of home mortgage and consumer loans inside the assessment area.
- The geographic distribution of home mortgage and consumer loans reflects reasonable dispersion throughout the assessment area.
- The distribution of borrowers reflects reasonable penetration of individuals of different income levels.
- Response to CRA complaints and fair lending policies and procedures is adequate.
   Examiners did not identify any evidence of discriminatory or other illegal credit practices.
   The credit union did not receive any CRA-related complaints during the period reviewed; therefore, this factor did not affect the Lending Test rating.

#### The Community Development Test is rated **Satisfactory**.

The institution demonstrated adequate responsiveness to the community development needs
of its assessment area through qualified donations and services, as appropriate. Examiners
considered the institution's capacity and the need and availability of such opportunities for
community development in the assessment area.

#### **SCOPE OF EVALUATION**

# **General Information**

This evaluation assesses the credit union's CRA performance utilizing the Interagency Intermediate Small Institution Credit Union Examination Procedures. These procedures require two performance tests: the Lending Test and the Community Development Test. The Lending Test analyzes an institution's applicable home mortgage and consumer loan data during a certain review period. The Community Development Test is an analysis of service related activities that an institution has completed to meet the needs of the community since the previous evaluation.

# **Loan Products Reviewed**

The Lending Test considered the credit union's home mortgage and consumer lending. The credit union's most recent Report of Condition and Income (Call Report), dated September 30, 2019, indicated that residential lending, including all loans secured by 1 to 4 family and multifamily (five or more units) residential properties, represented 70 percent of the loan portfolio and consisted of a significant majority of loan volume generated during the current review period. Based on the information in the call report, the overall conclusions were primarily based on the credit union's performance in home mortgage lending, as this product carried a greater weight in the overall Lending Test analysis. Consumer lending represented 30 percent of the loan portfolio and was considered as the second product within the CRA evaluation.

Data reviewed includes all originated home mortgage loans reported on the credit union's Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) Loan Application Registers (LARs) for 2017 and 2018. The LARs contain data about home purchase and home improvement loans, including refinances, of one to four family and multifamily properties. The evaluation focused on the credit union's lending performance in 2017 and 2018. The credit union's 2017 and 2018 home mortgage lending performance was compared against 2017 and 2018 aggregate lending data. Aggregate data includes the lending activity of all institutions subject to HMDA reporting within the same defined assessment area.

While the total dollar amounts of loans are discussed under the Lending Test, the evaluation is primarily based on the credit union's lending performance by the number of loans originated or purchased during the review period. Demographic information referenced in this evaluation was obtained from the 2010 United States (US) Census, unless otherwise noted. Financial data about the credit union was obtained from the September 30, 2019 Call Report.

Community Development services and investment activities were reviewed from January 1, 2015 through November 12, 2019.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF INSTITUTION**

#### **Background**

Quincy Credit Union is designated as a community credit union, and chartered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1937. Its membership includes employees of the City of Quincy as well as anyone who lives or works in Norfolk and Plymouth Counties and Dorchester. Also eligible for membership are family members of existing members. As of September 30, 2019, the credit union's membership was 35,600.

The credit union received a "Satisfactory" CRA rating at its previous evaluation by the Division of Banks on December 29, 2014.

#### **Operations**

The credit union's main office and branch is located at 100 Quincy Avenue in Quincy. The credit union operates a second branch at 519 Columbian Street in Weymouth. Both branches have the same lobby hours, being open from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM on Monday through Thursday; Friday 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM; and Saturday 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Drive up teller hours at the Quincy branch are available as early as 7:30 AM. Both branches are equipped with an ATM that accepts deposits and dispenses funds and are accessible 24 hours. The credit union operates an ATM at the Quincy Police Department and at Weymouth High School which only have withdrawal capabilities.

The credit union offers the following products and services to its members: checking and savings accounts for consumers and businesses, money market accounts, holiday and vacation savings accounts, share certificates and retirement accounts. It also provides its members with mortgage loans, home equity loans and lines of credit, new and used auto loans, personal loans, and fuel assistance line of credit, credit builder loans and overdraft protection lines of credit. Additional services include ATM/Debit cards, internet banking, and mobile banking and business services.

The credit union is a member of a Shared Branch Network. It is a shared financial delivery channel created by credit unions to provide members with convenient hours and locations. Shared Branching allows members within its network to access and do limited transactions through a network of participating credit unions worldwide. Examples of such transactions include, but are not limited to, balance inquiries, share to share transfers, deposits, withdrawals, check cashing, statement printouts, and purchasing of monetary instruments such as bank checks, money orders, and traveler checks.

# **Ability and Capacity**

Assets totaled approximately \$562 million as of the September 30, 2019 quarterly call report, including total loans of approximately \$350 million. Total loans and assets have increased since the last examination on September 30, 2014. Total loans have increased by \$84.1 million or 23.9 percent and total assets have increased by \$109 million or 19.5 percent.

Loan Portfolio Distribution as of 9/30/2019							
Loan Type	Dollar Amount (\$)	Percent of Total					
Unsecured Credit Card Loans	17,092,091	4.9%					
All Other Unsecured Loans/LOCs	10,244,749	2.9%					
New Vehicle Loans	24,017,758	6.9%					
Used Vehicle Loans	49,914,411	14.2%					
All Other Secured Non-Real Estate Loans/LOCs	2,917,669	0.8%					
Total Loans/LOCs Secured by 1st Lien 1-4 Family	185,630,778	53.0%					
Total Loans/LOCs Secured by Junior Lien 1-4 Family	60,543,084	17.3%					
Total Loans	350,360,540	100.0					
Source: Reports of Condition and Income		•					

# **DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT AREA**

The credit union's assessment area, as currently defined, meets the technical requirements of the CRA Regulation.

# **Economic and Demographic Data**

The assessment area includes 38 census tracts in the municipalities of Braintree, Quincy, and Weymouth, all located in the Massachusetts county of Norfolk. The assessment area is unchanged since the previous examination. The assessment reflects the following income designations according to the 2015 ACS data:

- 1 low-income tract,
- 8 moderate-income tracts,
- 27 middle-income tracts, and
- 2 upper-income tracts

The low-income tract is located in Quincy. The moderate-income tracts are located in Braintree (one), Quincy (six), and Weymouth (one).

The following table illustrates select demographic characteristics of the assessment area.

Demogra	Demographic Information of the Assessment Area								
Assessment Area: Quincy Credit Union									
Demographic Characteristics	#	Low % of #	Moderate % of #	Middle % of #	Upper % of #	NA* % of #			
Geographies (Census Tracts)	38	2.6	21.1	71.1	5.3	0.0			
Population by Geography	185,386	1.6	20.2	72.6	5.6	0.0			
Housing Units by Geography	79,665	1.6	22.1	71.2	5.1	0.0			
Owner-Occupied Units by Geography	43,183	0.8	15.4	76.8	7.0	0.0			
Occupied Rental Units by Geography	32,707	2.9	30.6	63.6	2.9	0.0			
Vacant Units by Geography	3,775	0.5	24.7	71.8	3.0	0.0			
Businesses by Geography	12,643	0.5	21.9	73.3	4.3	0.0			
Farms by Geography	174	0.6	14.9	75.9	8.6	0.0			
Family Distribution by Income Level	44,208	22.6	18.0	21.5	38.0	0.0			
Household Distribution by Income Level	75,890	26.8	14.5	17.5	41.1	0.0			
Median Family Income MSA - 14454 Boston, MA MD		\$90,699	Median Gross Rent			\$1,235			
Median Housing Value		\$341,679	Families Belo	w Poverty L	evel	6.2%			

Source: 2015 ACS Census and 2018 D&B Data. Due to rounding, totals may not equal 100.0 (\*) The NA category consists of geographies that have not been assigned an income classification.

The FFIEC-updated median family income level was used to analyze home mortgage loans under the Borrower Profile criterion. The following table presents the low-, moderate-, middle-, and upper-income categories. These categories are based on the 2017 and 2018 FFIEC-updated and median family incomes for the Boston MA, MD.

Median Family Income Ranges								
Median Family Incomes	Low <50%	Moderate 50% to <80%	Middle 80% to <120%	Upper ≥120%				
Boston, MA MD Median Family Income (14454)								
2017 (\$94,300)	<\$47,150	\$47,150 to <\$75,440	\$75,440 to <\$113,160	≥\$113,160				
2018 (\$99,300)	<\$49,650	\$49,650 to <\$79,440	\$79,440 to <\$119,160	≥\$119,160				
Source FFIEC								

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) data indicated that the 2018 year-end unemployment rate was 2.3 percent in Norfolk County. The Massachusetts unemployment was 2.7 percent as of year-end 2018.

#### **Competition**

There is a high level of competition for home mortgage loans among banks, credit unions, and non-depository lenders in the area. In 2017, 294 lenders reported 5,812 originated or purchased residential mortgage loans. Quincy Credit Union ranked 10<sup>th</sup> out of this group with a 2.2 percent market share. The majority of the lenders ranked ahead of Quincy Credit Union were large national banks, non-depository lenders, and credit unions.

#### **Community Contact**

Examiners met with an organization that focuses on helping people find a safe and affordable place to live. The organization develops and manages affordable housing, educates and assists homeowners and homebuyers, and helps homeowners repair and maintain their homes. The contact stated that the residential real estate market is extremely competitive. The combination of low inventory and a large pool of qualified buyers has resulted in rising prices. The contact was of the opinion that financial institutions are meeting the credit lending needs of the community. It was stated that one of the most valuable ways that financial institutions could assist the community would be through increased assistance with financial coaching seminars and classes.

# **Credit and Community Needs and Opportunities**

Considering information from the community contacts, credit union management, and demographic and economic data, examiners determined that affordable housing and financial literacy education are the primary community development needs. As shown in the demographic table, housing costs are high as the median housing value is \$341,679.

## CONCLUSIONS ON PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

#### **LENDING TEST**

Quincy Credit Union demonstrated an adequate performance under the Lending Test.

#### Loan-to-Share Ratio (LTS)

The average LTS ratio is reasonable given the credit union's size, financial condition, and assessment area credit needs. The credit union's LTS ratio, calculated from Call Report data, averaged 76.2 percent over the past eight quarters from December 31, 2017 to September 30, 2019. The ratio ranged from a low of 73.0 percent as of September 30, 2019 to a high of 78.5 as of December 31, 2018.

Examiners compared Quincy Credit Union's average LTS to that of similarly situated institutions. Examiners selected the comparable institutions based on asset size, geographic location, and lending focus. As shown in the following table, the credit union maintained a ratio that trailed similarly situated institutions.

Loan-to-Share Ratio Comparison							
Institution	Total Assets as of September 30, 2019	Average Net LTS Ratio (%)					
Liberty Bay Credit Union	661,873	98.8					
Sharon Credit Union	607,515	92.4					
Quincy Credit Union 561,817 76.2							
Source: NCUA Form 5300 Call Report Data 12/31/17 through 9/30/19							

#### **Assessment Area Concentration**

The credit union made a majority of home mortgage and consumer loans, by number and dollar volume, within its assessment area. The following table details the credit union's home mortgage and consumer lending activity inside and outside of the assessment area in 2017 and 2018.

Lending Inside and Outside of the Assessment Area										
	N	umber	of Loans			Dollar Amount of Loans \$(000s)				
Loan Category	Insid	le	Outsi	ide	Total	Insid	le	Outsi	de	Total
	#	%	#	%	#	\$	%	\$	%	\$(000s)
Home Mortgage										
2017	129	59.7	87	40.3	216	26,153	58.1	18,826	41.9	44,979
2018	123	60.0	82	40.0	205	17,153	53.4	14,988	46.6	32,141
Subtotal	252	59.9	169	40.1	421	43,306	56.2	33,814	43.8	77,120
Consumer										
2017	2,095	55.1	1,709	44.9	3,804	33,956	54.3	28,625	45.7	62,581
2018	1,916	55.2	1,555	44.8	3,471	30,645	52.2	28,048	47.8	58,693
Subtotal	4,011	55.1	3,264	44.9	7,275	64,601	53.3	56,673	46.7	121,274
Total	4,263	55.4	3,433	44.6	7,696	107,907	54.4	90,487	45.6	198,394
Source: Evaluation P	eriod: 1/1	/2017 -	12/31/201	8 Bank	Data. Due	to rounding	g, totals	may not ed	qual 100	0.0

## **Geographic Distribution**

The geographic distribution of loans reflects reasonable dispersion throughout the assessment area. The credit union's reasonable home mortgage and consumer lending performances support this conclusion. Examiners focused on the percentage by number of loans in low- and moderate-income census tracts.

#### Home Mortgage Loans

The geographic dispersion of home mortgage loans reflects reasonable distribution throughout the assessment area. Although examiners compared the credit union's lending performance to aggregate and demographic data, examiners placed more weight on the comparisons to aggregate data because it better indicates opportunities and demand within the assessment area.

In 2017, the credit union's lending to the assessment area's low-income census tract was above the aggregate. In 2018, the credit union's lending to the low-income tract matched the aggregate. In 2017, lending in the moderate-income census tracts trailed the aggregate. The credit union's level of lending to moderate-income census tracts rose in 2018 to more closely match the aggregate.

Geographic Distribution of Home Mortgage Loans								
Tract Income Level	% of Owner- Occupied Housing Units	Aggregate Performance % of #	#	%	\$(000s)	%		
Low								
2017	0.8	0.8	2	1.6	145	0.6		
2018	0.8	0.7	1	0.8	225	1.3		
Moderate								
2017	15.4	17.7	16	12.4	2,158	8.3		
2018	15.4	17.1	19	15.4	2,062	12.0		
Middle				•				
2017	76.8	75.0	99	76.7	21,771	83.2		
2018	76.8	75.7	94	76.4	13,112	76.4		
Upper				•				
2017	7.0	6.5	12	9.3	2,079	7.9		
2018	7.0	6.5	9	7.3	1,754	10.2		
Totals				•				
2017	100.0	100.0	129	100.0	26,153	100.0		
2018	100.0	100.0	123	100.0	17,153	100.0		

Source: 2015 ACS Census; 1/1/2017 - 12/31/2018 Bank Data, 2017 & 2018 HMDA Aggregate Data, "--" data not available. Due to rounding, totals may not equal 100.0

#### Consumer Loans

The geographic distribution of consumer loans reflects reasonable distribution throughout the assessment area. Examiners compared the credit union's lending performance to demographic data.

In 2017 and 2018, the credit union's level of lending to the assessment area's low- and moderate-income census tract was in line with area demographics.

% of Households	# 27	%	\$(000s)	%
	27			
	27			
	<del>-</del> ·	1.3	446	1.3
1.7	36	1.9	424	1.4
22.0	460	22.0	5,465	16.1
22.0	414	21.6	5,477	17.9
71.1	1,501	71.7	24,854	73.2
71.1	1,357	70.8	22,776	74.3
5.2	107	5.1	3,191	9.4
5.2	109	5.7	1,968	6.4
		•		
100.0	2,095	100.0	33,956	100.0
100.0	1,916	100.0	30,465	100.0
	22.0 71.1 71.1 5.2 5.2 100.0 100.0	22.0     414       71.1     1,501       71.1     1,357       5.2     107       5.2     109       100.0     2,095       100.0     1,916	22.0     414     21.6       71.1     1,501     71.7       71.1     1,357     70.8       5.2     107     5.1       5.2     109     5.7       100.0     2,095     100.0       100.0     1,916     100.0	22.0     414     21.6     5,477       71.1     1,501     71.7     24,854       71.1     1,357     70.8     22,776       5.2     107     5.1     3,191       5.2     109     5.7     1,968       100.0     2,095     100.0     33,956

#### **Borrower Profile**

The distribution of borrowers reflects reasonable penetration among individuals of different income levels. The credit union's reasonable home mortgage and good consumer lending performances support this conclusion. Examiners focused on the percentage of home mortgage and consumer loans to low- and moderate-income borrowers.

#### Home Mortgage Loans

The distribution of borrowers reflects reasonable penetration among individuals of different income levels. Lending in 2017 to low-income borrowers trailed both aggregate performance and area demographics. In 2018, lending to low-income borrowers increased to a level consistent with the aggregate performance and trailed area demographics. The demand and opportunity for lending to low-income families is relatively limited. First, approximately 6.2 percent of families in the assessment area have incomes below the poverty level, a subset of the low-income category. Second, a low-income family in the assessment area would not likely qualify for a mortgage under conventional underwriting standards, considering the median housing value of \$341,679.

Quincy Credit Union's lending to moderate-income borrowers was above both aggregate performance and area demographics in 2017. In 2018, the credit union's lending to moderate-income borrowers decreased, dropping below the aggregate but remaining above area demographics.

Dist	ribution of Home	Mortgage Loans	by Borrowe	er Income Le	vel	
Borrower Income Level	% of Families	Aggregate Performance % of #	#	%	\$(000s)	%
Low				•		
2017	22.6	5.1	3	2.3	180	0.7
2018	22.6	7.6	9	7.3	413	2.4
Moderate						
2017	18.0	20.4	30	23.3	5,370	20.5
2018	18.0	21.2	24	19.5	2,940	17.1
Middle						
2017	21.5	27.9	38	29.5	7,396	28.3
2018	21.5	27.4	49	39.8	6,653	38.8
Upper						
2017	38.0	34.9	58	45.0	13,207	50.5
2018	38.0	32.9	41	33.3	7,147	41.7
Not Available						
2017	0.0	11.8	0	0.0	0	0.0
2018	0.0	11.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Totals						
2017	100.0	100.0	129	100.0	26,153	100.0
2018	100.0	100.0	123	100.0	17,153	100.0

Source: 2015 ACS Census ; 1/1/2017 - 12/31/2018 Bank Data, 2017 & 2018 HMDA Aggregate Data, "--" data not available. Due to rounding, totals may not equal 100.0

#### Consumer Loans

The distribution of borrowers reflects good penetration among individuals of different income levels. In 2017, the credit union's level of consumer lending to low-income and moderate-income borrowers was above area demographics and remained stable in 2018, continuing to exceed area demographics.

Distribution of Consumer Loans by Borrower Income Level									
Borrower Income Level	% of Households	#	%	\$(000s)	%				
Low		•	•						
2017	26.8	760	36.3	5,425	16.0				
2018	26.8	699	36.5	5,319	17.4				
Moderate			•						
2017	14.5	541	25.8	7,998	23.6				
2018	14.5	463	24.2	6,550	21.4				
Middle			•						
2017	17.5	459	21.9	8,939	26.3				
2018	17.5	460	24.0	9,913	32.4				
Upper			-						
2017	41.1	333	15.9	11,583	34.1				
2018	41.1	290	15.1	8,820	28.8				
Not Available			•						
2017	0.0	2	0.1	11	0.0				
2018	0.0	4	0.2	43	0.1				
Totals		•	-						
2017	100.0	2,095	100.0	33,956	100.0				
2018	100.0	1,916	100.0	30,645	100.0				

Source: 2015 ACS Census; 1/1/2017 - 12/31/2018 Bank Data.

Due to rounding, totals may not equal 100.0

#### Response to CRA Complaints and Fair Lending Policies and Procedures

The Division of Banks provides comments regarding the institution's fair lending policies and procedures pursuant to Regulatory Bulletin 1.3-106. A review of the credit union's public comment file indicated the credit union received no complaints pertaining to the institution's CRA performance since the previous examination. The fair lending review was conducted in accordance with the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC) Interagency Fair Lending Examination Procedures. Based on these procedures, no evidence of disparate treatment was noted.

#### **Minority Application Flow**

The credit union's HMDA LARs for 2017 and 2018 were reviewed to determine if the application flow from the different racial groups within the credit union's Massachusetts assessment area was reflective of the assessment area's demographics. Considering the demographic composition of the assessment area and comparisons to aggregate data in 2017 and 2018, the credit union's minority application flow is reasonable.

In 2018, the credit union's assessment area contained a total population of 185,386 individuals, of which 26.7 percent are minorities. The assessment area's minority and ethnic population is

4.4 percent Black/African American, 16.6 percent Asian, 0.1 percent American Indian, 0.0 percent Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, 3.0 percent Hispanic or Latino and 2.5 percent other.

In 2017, the credit union received 164 HMDA reportable loan applications from within its assessment area. Of these applications, 10 or 6.1 percent were received from racial minority applicants, of which 6 or 60.0 percent were originated. The aggregate received 21.6 percent of loan applications from minority applicants and 73.5 percent were originated. For the same time period, the credit union received 2 applications or 1.2 percent from ethnic groups of Hispanic origin within its assessment area, of which 2 or 100.0 percent were originated versus the aggregate that received 2.9 percent and 72.3 percent were originated.

In 2018, the credit union received 171 HMDA reportable loan applications from within its assessment area. Of these applications, 14 or 8.2 percent were received from minority applicants, of which 10 or 71.4 percent resulted in originations. The aggregate received 24.5 percent of HMDA reportable loan applications from minority applicants and 58.2 percent were originated. For the same time period, the credit union also received 5 or 2.9 percent of applications from ethnic groups of Hispanic origin within its assessment area, of which 2 or 40.0 percent were originated versus the aggregate that received 3.1 percent and 50.6 percent were originated.

The credit union's level of lending was compared with that of the aggregate's lending performance level for 2017 and 2018. The comparison of this data assists in deriving reasonable expectations for the rate of applications the credit union received from minority residential loan applicants.

MINORITY APPLICATION FLOW								
	Credi	t Union	2017	Credit Union		2018		
RACE	2017		Aggregate	2018		Aggregate		
			Data			Data		
	#	%	%	#	%	%		
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0.0	0.2	0	0.0	0.4		
Asian	6	3.7	17.9	4	2.3	20.7		
Black/ African American	4	2.4	2.0	6	3.5	1.7		
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0.0	0.1	2	1.2	0.2		
2 or more Minority	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1		
Joint Race (White/Minority)	0	0.0	1.4	2	1.2	1.3		
Total Minority	10	6.1	21.6	14	8.2	24.5		
White	153	93.3	59.1	157	91.8	56.8		
Race Not Available	1	0.6	19.3	0	0.0	18.7		
Total	164	100.0	100.0	171	100.0	100.0		
ETHNICITY								
Hispanic or Latino	0	0.0	2.0	3	1.8	2.2		
Not Hispanic or Latino	161	98.2	77.6	165	96.5	76.6		
Joint (Hisp/Lat /Not Hisp/Lat)	2	1.2	0.9	2	1.2	0.9		
Ethnicity Not Available	1	0.6	19.6	1	0.6	20.3		
Total	164	100.0	100.0	171	100.0	100.0		

Source: US Census 2010, HMDA Aggregate Data 2016, HMDA LAR Data 2016 and 2017

Considering the demographic composition of the assessment area and comparisons to aggregate data in 2017 and 2018, the credit union's minority application flow is reasonable.

# **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEST**

Quincy Credit Union demonstrated adequate responsiveness to the community development needs of its assessment area through community development services as well as donations. The credit union's responsiveness is best evidenced by their commitment to financial literacy and participation in a significant number of classroom financial literacy initiatives. In addition, the credit union is further responsive by providing charitable donations to organizations.

Examiners considered the institution's capacity and the need and availability of such opportunities. Community development activities were evaluated from January 1, 2015 through November 12, 2019, the start date of the current examination.

# **Community Development Services**

A community development service has community development as its primary purpose and is generally related to the provision of financial services. The credit union continues its commitment to financial literacy as noted from prior examination periods. The credit union has 2 certified financial literacy specialists who presented approximately 96 financial seminars held within high schools and a community college throughout the assessment area. All financial literacy materials are in parternship with Everfi Financial Education. Seminars focused on financial independence, money management, preparing for future bills, opening/maintaining checking and savings accounts, taxes, identity theft and understanding credit.

# **Other Services**

The credit union provides free financial literacy tools accessible through the Quincy Credit Union website. The tools are offered in conjuction with Everfi Financial Education and consist of online modules that range in topics from home purchasing, paying for college, retirement planning, and education geared toward young adults and teens.

#### **Community Development Investments**

A qualified community development investment for the purpose of this CRA evaluation is a lawful investment, deposit, membership share, or grant that has community development as its primary purpose.

The credit union presented approximately \$47,000 in qualified CRA donations to organizations that met the definition of community development.

#### **GLOSSARY**

**Aggregate Lending:** The number of loans originated and purchased by all reporting lenders in specified income categories as a percentage of the aggregate number of loans originated and purchased by all reporting lenders in the metropolitan area/assessment area.

**Area Median Income:** The median family income for the MSA, if a person or geography is located in an MSA; or the statewide nonmetropolitan median family income, if a person or geography is located outside an MSA.

**Assessment Area:** A geographic area delineated by the bank under the requirements of the Community Reinvestment Act.

**Census Tract:** A small, relatively permanent statistical subdivision of a county. Census tract boundaries normally follow visible features, but they may follow governmental unit boundaries and other non-visible features in some instances. They always nest within counties. Census tracts average about 4,000 persons, and their physical size varies widely depending upon population density. Census tracts are designed to be homogenous for population characteristics, economic status, and living conditions to allow for statistical comparisons.

**Combined Statistical Area (CSA):** A combination of several adjacent metropolitan statistical areas or micropolitan statistical areas or a mix of the two, which are linked by economic ties.

**Community Development:** For loans, investments, and services to qualify as community development activities, their primary purpose must:

- (1) Support affordable housing for low- and moderate-income individuals;
- (2) Target community services toward low- and moderate-income individuals;
- (3) Promote economic development by financing small businesses or farms; or
- (4) Provide activities that revitalize or stabilize low- and moderate-income geographies, designated disaster areas, or distressed or underserved nonmetropolitan middle-income geographies; or
- (5) Enable or facilitate projects or activities that address needs regarding foreclosed or abandoned residential properties in designated target areas.

Community Development Corporation (CDC): A CDC allows banks and holding companies to make equity type of investments in community development projects. Bank CDCs can develop innovative debt instruments or provide near-equity investments tailored to the development needs of the community. Bank CDCs are also tailored to their financial and marketing needs. A CDC may purchase, own, rehabilitate, construct, manage, and sell real property. Also, it may make equity or debt investments in development projects and in local businesses. The CDC activities are expected to directly benefit low- and moderate-income groups, and the investment dollars should not represent an undue risk on the banking organization.

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs): CDFIs are private intermediaries (either for profit or nonprofit) with community development as their primary mission. A CDFI facilitates the flow of lending and investment capital into distressed communities and to individuals who have been unable to take advantage of the services offered by traditional financial institutions. Some basic types of CDFIs include community development banks, community development loan funds, community development credit unions, micro enterprise funds, and community development venture capital funds.

A certified CDFI must meet eligibility requirements. These requirements include the following:

- Having a primary mission of promoting community development;
- Serving an investment area or target population;
- Providing development services;
- Maintaining accountability to residents of its investment area or targeted population through representation on its governing board of directors, or by other means;
- Not constituting an agency or instrumentality of the United States, of any state or political subdivision of a state.

# **Community Development Loan:** A loan that

- (1) Has as its primary purpose community development; and
- (2) Except in the case of a wholesale or limited purpose bank:
  - (i) Has not been reported or collected by the bank or an affiliate for consideration in the bank's assessment area as a home mortgage, small business, small farm, or consumer loan, unless it is a multifamily dwelling loan (as described in Appendix A to Part 203 of this title); and
  - (ii) Benefits the bank's assessment area(s) or a broader statewide or regional area including the bank's assessment area(s).

#### **Community Development Service:** A service that

- (1) Has as its primary purpose community development;
- (2) Is related to the provision of <u>financial</u> services; and
- (3) Has not been considered in the evaluation of the bank's retail banking services under § 345.24(d).

**Consumer Loan(s):** A loan(s) to one or more individuals for household, family, or other personal expenditures. A consumer loan does not include a home mortgage, small business, or small farm loan. This definition includes the following categories: motor vehicle loans, credit card loans, home equity loans, other secured consumer loans, and other unsecured consumer loans.

Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSAs): The county or counties or equivalent entities associated with at least one core (urbanized area or urban cluster) of at least 10,000 population, plus adjacent counties having a high degree of social and economic integration with the core as measured through commuting ties with the counties associated with the core. Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas are the two categories of CBSAs.

**Distressed Middle-Income Nonmetropolitan Geographies**: A nonmetropolitan middle-income geography will be designated as distressed if it is in a county that meets one or more of the following triggers:

- (1) an unemployment rate of at least 1.5 times the national average;
- (2) a poverty rate of 20 percent or more; or,
- (3) a population loss of 10 percent or more between the previous and most recent decennial census or a net migration loss of 5 percent or more over the 5-year period preceding the most recent census.

**Family:** Includes a householder and one or more other persons living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption. The number of family households always equals the number of families; however, a family household may also include non-relatives living with the family. Families are classified by type as either a married-couple family or other family. Other family is further classified into "male householder" (a family with a male householder and no wife present) or "female householder" (a family with a female householder and no husband present).

**Family Income:** Includes the income of all members of a family that are age 15 and older.

**FFIEC-Estimated Income Data:** The Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC) issues annual estimates which update median family income from the metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas. The FFIEC uses American Community Survey data and factors in information from other sources to arrive at an annual estimate that more closely reflects current economic conditions.

**Full-Scope Review:** A full-scope review is accomplished when examiners complete all applicable interagency examination procedures for an assessment area. Performance under applicable tests is analyzed considering performance context, quantitative factors (for example, geographic distribution, borrower profile, and total number and dollar amount of investments), and qualitative factors (for example, innovativeness, complexity, and responsiveness).

**Geography:** A census tract delineated by the United States Bureau of the Census in the most recent decennial census.

Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA): The statute that requires certain mortgage lenders that do business or have banking offices in a metropolitan statistical area to file annual summary reports of their mortgage lending activity. The reports include such data as the race, gender, and the income of applicants; the amount of loan requested; and the disposition of the application (approved, denied, and withdrawn).

Home Mortgage Disclosure Loan Application Register (HMDA LAR): The HMDA LARs record all applications received for residential purchase, refinance, home improvement, and temporary-to-permanent construction loans.

**Home Mortgage Loans:** Includes home purchase and home improvement loans as defined in the HMDA regulation. This definition also includes multi-family (five or more families) dwelling loans, loans to purchase manufactured homes, and refinancings of home improvement and home purchase loans.

**Household:** Includes all persons occupying a housing unit. Persons not living in households are classified as living in group quarters. In 100 percent tabulations, the count of households always equals the count of occupied housing units.

**Household Income:** Includes the income of the householder and all other persons that are age 15 and older in the household, whether related to the householder or not. Because many households are only one person, median household income is usually less than median family income.

**Housing Unit:** Includes a house, an apartment, a mobile home, a group of rooms, or a single room that is occupied as separate living quarters.

**Limited-Scope Review:** A limited scope review is accomplished when examiners do not complete all applicable interagency examination procedures for an assessment area. Performance under applicable tests is often analyzed using only quantitative factors (for example, geographic distribution, borrower profile, total number and dollar amount of investments, and branch distribution).

**Low-Income:** Individual income that is less than 50 percent of the area median income, or a median family income that is less than 50 percent in the case of a geography.

**Low Income Housing Tax Credit:** The Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program is a housing program contained within the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. It is administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service. The U.S. Treasury Department distributes low-income housing tax credits to housing credit agencies through the Internal Revenue Service. The housing agencies allocate tax credits on a competitive basis.

Developers who acquire, rehabilitate, or construct low-income rental housing may keep their tax credits. Or, they may sell them to corporations or investor groups, who, as owners of these properties, will be able to reduce their own federal tax payments. The credit can be claimed annually for ten consecutive years. For a project to be eligible, the developer must set aside a specific percentage of units for occupancy by low-income residents. The set-aside requirement remains throughout the compliance period, usually 30 years.

**Market Share:** The number of loans originated and purchased by the institution as a percentage of the aggregate number of loans originated and purchased by all reporting lenders in the metropolitan area/assessment area.

**Median Income:** The median income divides the income distribution into two equal parts, one having incomes above the median and other having incomes below the median.

**Metropolitan Division (MD):** A county or group of counties within a CBSA that contain(s) an urbanized area with a population of at least 2.5 million. A MD is one or more main/secondary counties representing an employment center or centers, plus adjacent counties associated with the main/secondary county or counties through commuting ties.

**Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA):** CBSA associated with at least one urbanized area having a population of at least 50,000. The MSA comprises the central county or counties or equivalent entities containing the core, plus adjacent outlying counties having a high degree of social and economic integration with the central county or counties as measured through commuting.

**Micropolitan Statistical Area:** CBSA associated with at least one urbanized area having a population of at least 10,000, but less than 50,000.

**Middle-Income:** Individual income that is at least 80 percent and less than 120 percent of the area median income, or a median family income that is at least 80 and less than 120 percent in the case of a geography.

**Moderate-Income:** Individual income that is at least 50 percent and less than 80 percent of the area median income, or a median family income that is at least 50 and less than 80 percent in the case of a geography.

**Multi-family:** Refers to a residential structure that contains five or more units.

**Nonmetropolitan Area:** All areas outside of metropolitan areas. The definition of nonmetropolitan area is not consistent with the definition of rural areas. Urban and rural classifications cut across the other hierarchies. For example, there is generally urban and rural territory within metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas.

**Owner-Occupied Units:** Includes units occupied by the owner or co-owner, even if the unit has not been fully paid for or is mortgaged.

**Qualified Investment:** A lawful investment, deposit, membership share, or grant that has as its primary purpose community development.

**Rated area:** A rated area is a state or multistate metropolitan area. For an institution with domestic branches in only one state, the institution's CRA rating would be the state rating. If an institution maintains domestic branches in more than one state, the institution will receive a rating for each state in which those branches are located. If an institution maintains domestic branches in two or more states within a multistate metropolitan area, the institution will receive a rating for the multistate metropolitan area.

**Rural Area:** Territories, populations, and housing units that are not classified as urban.

Small Business Investment Company (SBIC): SBICs are privately-owned investment companies which are licensed and regulated by the Small Business Administration (SBA). SBICs provide long-term loans and/or venture capital to small firms. Because money for venture or risk investments is difficult for small firms to obtain, SBA provides assistance to SBICs to stimulate and supplement the flow of private equity and long-term loan funds to small companies. Venture capitalists participate in the SBIC program to supplement their own private capital with funds borrowed at favorable rates through SBA's guarantee of SBIC debentures. These SBIC debentures are then sold to private investors. An SBIC's success is linked to the growth and profitability of the companies that it finances. Therefore, some SBICs primarily assist businesses with significant growth potential, such as new firms in innovative industries. SBICs finance small firms by providing straight loans and/or equity-type investments. This kind of financing gives them partial ownership of those businesses and the possibility of sharing in the companies' profits as they grow and prosper.

**Small Business Loan:** A loan included in "loans to small businesses" as defined in the Consolidated Report of Condition and Income (Call Report). These loans have original amounts of \$1 million or less and are either secured by nonfarm nonresidential properties or are classified as commercial and industrial loans.

**Small Farm Loan:** A loan included in "loans to small farms" as defined in the instructions for preparation of the Consolidated Report of Condition and Income (Call Report). These loans have original amounts of \$500,000 or less and are either secured by farmland, including farm residential and other improvements, or are classified as loans to finance agricultural production and other loans to farmers.

**Underserved middle-income nonmetropolitan geographies:** A nonmetropolitan middle-income geography will be designated as underserved if it meets criteria for

- Population size, density, and dispersion indicating the area's population is sufficiently small, thin, and
- Distant from a population center that the tract is likely to have difficulty financing the fixed costs of meeting essential community needs.

**Upper-Income:** Individual income that is more than 120 percent of the area median income, or a median family income that is more than 120 percent in the case of a geography.

**Urban Area:** All territories, populations, and housing units in urbanized areas and in places of 2,500 or more persons outside urbanized areas. More specifically, "urban" consists of territory, persons, and housing units in places of 2,500 or more persons incorporated as cities, villages, boroughs (except in Alaska and New York), and towns (except in the New England states, New York, and Wisconsin).

"Urban" excludes the rural portions of "extended cities"; census designated place of 2,500 or more persons; and other territory, incorporated or unincorporated, including in urbanized areas.

#### PERFORMANCE EVALUATION DISCLOSURE GUIDE

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 167, Section 14, as amended, and the Uniform Interagency Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) Guidelines for Disclosure of Written Evaluations, and Part 345 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Rules and Regulations, require all financial institutions to take the following actions within 30 business days of receipt of the CRA evaluation of their institution:

- 1) Make its most current CRA performance evaluation available to the public;
- 2) At a minimum, place the evaluation in the institution's CRA public file located at the head office and at a designated office in each assessment area;
- 3) Add the following language to the institution's required CRA public notice that is posted in each depository facility:

"You may obtain the public section of our most recent CRA Performance Evaluation, which was prepared by the Massachusetts Division of Banks, at 100 Quincy Ave. Quincy, MA 02169.

[Please Note: If the institution has more than one assessment area, each office (other than off-premises electronic deposit facilities) in that community shall also include the address of the designated office for that assessment area.]

4) Provide a copy of its current evaluation to the public, upon request. In connection with this, the institution is authorized to charge a fee which does not exceed the cost of reproduction and mailing (if applicable).

The format and content of the institution's evaluation, as prepared by its supervisory agencies, may not be altered or abridged in any manner. The institution is encouraged to include its response to the evaluation in its CRA public file.